(*b*) how many have been promoted to that grade till now (26-1-1106); and

(*c*) the dates on which they have been promoted ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) In 1098 M. E.

(*b*) 20.

(*c*) 8 in 1098;
7 in 1099;
3 in 1100;
1 in 1102; and
1 in 1105.

Pandits in English Schools.

12. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the applicants who have passed the Vidwan, Siromani, Mahopadhyaya and Upadhyaya examinations are appointed to the posts of Pandits and Munshis in English Schools in preference to graduate applicants; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the negative, the reason for not preferring these specialists in oriental languages to such appointments ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) In view of the answer to part (*a*), this does not arise.

Grant-in-aid to the Vaidyasala of M. K. Padmanabhan Vaidyan, Putupalli.

13. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received a memorial in Kumbham 1105 from the inhabitants of the Putupalli pakuti, Karunagapalli taluk, with the signatures of the local M. L. C. and S. M. P. A. member, for giving recognition and grant-in-aid to the *vaidyasala* of M. K. Padmanabhan Vaidyan, Mavilasseri, Prayar *muri*, Putupalli; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the steps taken on the same?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*b*) Orders have been issued to the Inspector in charge, Ayurveda Department, to include the name of the Vaidyan in the list of State recognised Vaidyans. The question of awarding grant will be considered.

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